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Investigations into Saradha Chit Fund Scam

Kolkata Police Comr. asked to appear before CBI

SC to hear case on Feb. 20

New Delhi, Feb.5- The Supreme Court (SC) today directed Kolkata Police Commissioner Rajeev Kumar to appear before the CBI, in investigations related to the Saradha Chit Fund Scam.

The Bench headed by Chief Justice of India (CJI) Ranjan Gogoi, however, said that no coercive step should be taken against Rajeev Kumar. The SC has also issued a contempt notice to the Chief Secretary of West Bengal Government, the DGP and the Police Commissioner for allegedly detaining the CBI probe team. Rajeev Kumar will now appear before the CBI in Shillong. The case will be heard on Feb. 20.

"The CJI Bench ordered that Rajeev Kumar should make himself available and fully co-operate. At the same time, the Court stated that no coercive steps should be taken. It has also been made clear by the Court that the personal appearance after filing of replies of the concerned officers may be required on Feb. 20 and that will be communicated by the Secretary General of the SC on Feb.19," said senior Lawyer and BJP leader Nalin Kohli.

This comes amidst West Bengal CM Mamata Banerjee's *'Save the Constitution'* dharna, which started on Sunday after the CBI attempted to arrest Rajeev Kumar, which was foiled by WB Police.

The CBI had on Monday filed an affidavit in the SC alleging that there are several incriminating materials or correspondence in Saradha Chit Fund case that were collected during the investigation by the CBI against senior Police officials as well as senior politicians.

The CBI affidavit states that the investigation was being done by SIT and crucial evidence such as laptops, mobile phones among others were handed over to the main accused by the Investigating Officer working under direct supervision of Rajeev Kumar.

Rajeev Kumar has reportedly not responded to summons from the CBI in connection with their probes into the Rose Valley and Saradha ponzi scams.

Kumar led the SIT investigation into the scams until 2014 when the agency took over following directions from the Supreme Court. The CBI was slated to question Kumar about documents that reportedly went missing.

To Our Readers

Turn to Page-8 for Abracadabra titled ***"All eyes on Supreme Court — Not only the custodian of the Constitution but also of Democracy. Save Constitution? Save Democracy? Save Police Officer? But who will save those who were cheated?"*** **—Ed**

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To raze or not to raze?

The issues that are bestowed attention by the administration, on and off, and generate reactions from various quarters of the land's literati, sometimes vociferously, seem to be keeping both sides engaged, happily or otherwise, most of the time the controversial side to the issues remaining unresolved, only to reappear giving unending and sumptuous grist to the dailies of all hues, as it has just happened last weekend. One can permit oneself to take up one or the other issue that has figured in the interaction *ad nauseam* between the powers that be and the stakeholders, ignoring the order of their priority to be addressed or of importance in the life of people. Maybe, the issue of preserving or protecting the country's heritage, read heritage structures, stands out, although the proverbial *man-in-the-street,* not being quite familiar with their origins and archaeological value, may not be concerned with the two options namely, *to raze or not to raze.*

The opening phrase of a soliloquy spoken by Prince Hamlet in William Shakespeare's play *Hamlet* (nunnery scene) namely *To be or Not to be,* usually interpreted as meaning *Is it better to live or die* may as well prompt the heritage structures in general and the two Mysuru's such structures lying in a shambles in particular to *openly* ask the question attributed to the Prince. Alas, the structures are speech-challenged and have no option other than what fate they are handed down.

As the opinions concerning the land's heritage in general and specifically heritage structures, as being copiously reported in the media gather volume, understandably influenced by factors of religion (as in the case of one such structure near Mysuru which had to be moved a little distance at enormous cost to the government), region, vintage, origin and benefits on various counts, including boost to tourism, one may legitimately ask a few questions suggesting that the heritage issue permits itself to be seen from many angles by raising some questions: *a)* What happens if the structure in question collapses by itself? *b)* Can the space occupied by dilapidated forts, particularly those built during rule by aliens, be put to economic use, including agriculture, industry, dwellings and so on. The exquisite sculptures, credited to India's ancient generations are in a different class than the crumbling mausoleums.

Lastly, when the country's masses decide on the most important matter of choosing their law-makers, why not they also decide on whether a given heritage structure should be razed or restored or replaced?

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

The Court had to rule on the legality of the Tamil Nadu Government's policy of reserving the post of Civil Judge only for people whose percentage of blindness does not exceed 40-50%, resulting in the exclusion of the applicant who was 70% blind. It held that the Government's decision was rational and reasonable. It ruled that a Judicial Officer has to possess a reasonable amount of sight and hearing to discharge her functions. It accepted the claim that impaired vision makes it impossible to perform the functions required of Judicial Officers, such as assessing the demeanour of witnesses and reading and analysing evidence. *—Rahul Bajaj in The Hindu.*

NEWS SPARKLERS

Man to sue parents for giving birth to him

New Delhi: A New Delhi man aged 27 years wants to take his parents to Court for giving birth to him without first asking for his consent.

Raphael Samuel is an anti-natalist, a person who believes that people should abstain from procreation because giving birth to sentient beings without asking for their consent is morally wrong.

Samuel doesn't have anything against children or life itself, he simply believes that a life form which has not given its consent to live should not be brought into the world and thus to be subject to the hardships of life. Because he considers himself a victim of life without 'forced life,' the young Indian plans to sue his parents.

Old man damages over 1,000 cars in a year

Vigo: Jose Antonio, a 79-year-old man from Vigo in Spain has reportedly damaged over 1,000 cars in the last year alone.

He scratches parked cars and jams toothpicks into their keyholes in broad daylight, with a total disregard disregard for witnesses. And if someone dares to say something or try to stop him, the old man gets aggressive and often hits people with his cane. Police estimate that last year alone, the notorious vandal damaged around 1,120 cars, and he's off to a "great" start in 2019 as well, with evidence linking him to over 120 vandalised vehicles. This has resulted in the residents of the O Calvario and A Doblada neighborhoods in the Spanish city of Vigo living in fear of finding their cars scratched.

The local police estimates that Jose Antonio V. has caused around 500,000 euros in damages just last year, but there's not a lot they can do to stop him. They have arrested him more than a dozen times in the last few years, written him countless fines, but as soon as they release him, he picks up where he left off.

HEALTH CAPSULE by Bron Smith

Are Americans eating more vegetables?

It's clear that Americans prefer their carbs and fats over carrot sticks. Vegetable consumption among Americans is down by 3%.

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MICAns win at inter collegiate events

Standing from left: ***Gagandeep, Arman, K.Prajwal;*** *(sitting from left):* ***BhavanaYadav, Priyanka Parida, Sareen Khan and G. Sushmita.***

Mysuru, Feb. 5 - MICA - Mysore Institute of Commerce and Arts students emerged winners in the ramp walk competition organised by Genius FGC. The team consisted of K. Prajwal, Sareen Khan, Allah Baksh, Shahabaz, Md. Arman, Priyanka Parida, Sushmita and Bhavana Yadav.

In the 'Raising Leader' event organised by MMK and SDM College for Women, Gagandeep Krishna of BBA IV semester won the first place. He was awarded a trophy and certificate.

In the National-level management fest Labyrinth'19 conducted by Canara College, Mangaluru, Gagandeep Krishna won first place in HR, Prithivraj Rajesh and

Standing from left: ***Prithivraj Rajesh, Tejas Jain, Gagandeep Krishna;*** *(sitting from left):* ***Arpita Ashok and B.G. Preethi.***

Tejas Jain won second place in Research and Development, Arpitha Ashok and B.G. Preethi won second place in Event management. The winners were awarded certificates, trophies.

Really...?

- ***The Moon has only been walked on by 12 people; all American males. The first man to set foot on the Moon in 1969 was Neil Armstrong on the Apollo 11 mission, while the last man to walk on the Moon in 1972 was Gene Cernan on the Apollo 17 mission. Since then the Moon has only be visited by unmanned vehicles.***
- ***The Moon has no atmosphere: This means that the surface of the Moon is unprotected from cosmic rays, meteorites and solar winds, and has huge temperature variations. The lack of atmosphere means no sound can be heard on the Moon, and the sky always appears black.***

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

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VOICE OF THE READER

Street-light needs immediate attention

Sir,

I am a resident of Ramakrishnanagar 'H' Block. It's been almost 6 months or more that the street-light just opposite to my residence is not working. The complaint has been raised many times but the result is that the issue is unattended. Hence, I used the website which portrays itself as *janhith* to raise a complaint.

The concerned call centre personnel would politely accept my complaint and would reciprocate that the issue would be solved the next day. But next day is yet to come.

Once I had the opportunity to speak to the concerned Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) official who also responded politely saying the issue would be solved the next morning. But the result is nil.

It's my sincere request to the Mysuru City Corporation to consider every complaint seriously even though it might be a lame issue and solve the same.

—Arathi Raghuveer
on e-mail
Ramakrishnanagar 'H' Block
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Rev. Msgr. N. S. Marie Joseph passes away

Mysuru, Feb.5 - Rev. Msgr. N.S. Marie Joseph (77) passed away today (Feb.5) at 3.15 am in St. John's Hospital, Bengaluru. His mortal remains has been kept for public respect at St. Mary's Minor Seminary, Millennium Circle, Bannimantap, Mysuru.

The funeral Holy Mass will be held tomorrow (Feb.6) at 10.30 am at St. Joseph's Cathedral, Mysuru, followed by the burial service at St. Michael's Farm, Old Kesare, Mysuru.

Rev. Msgr. N.S. Marie Joseph

Rev. Msgr. Marie Joseph was the Head of the Department of Christianity and Chair of Christianity in the University of Mysore. He had served as Vicar General of the Diocese of Mysore, Secretary of Mysore Diocesan Educational Society, Parish Priest of St. Philomena's Church and a number of other Parishes, according to a press release from Rev. Msgr. Leslie Moras, PRO, Diocese of Mysore.

Funeral Mass tomorrow

Corrections and Clarifications

In the news item titled *'Geeth Gaatha Chal draws packed house...'* published in yesterday's *SOM* on page-7, the caption of the above picture was inadvertently mentioned as Dr. Upendra Shenoy and **Mamatha Shenoy** seen with Dr. P.A. Kushalappa, Dr. C. Umesh Kamath and Dr. Jagannath Shenoy couple. It may please be read as Dr. Upendra Shenoy and **Nita Shenoy...** The error is regretted. **—Ed**

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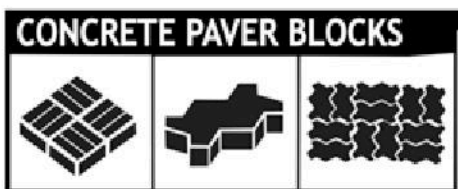

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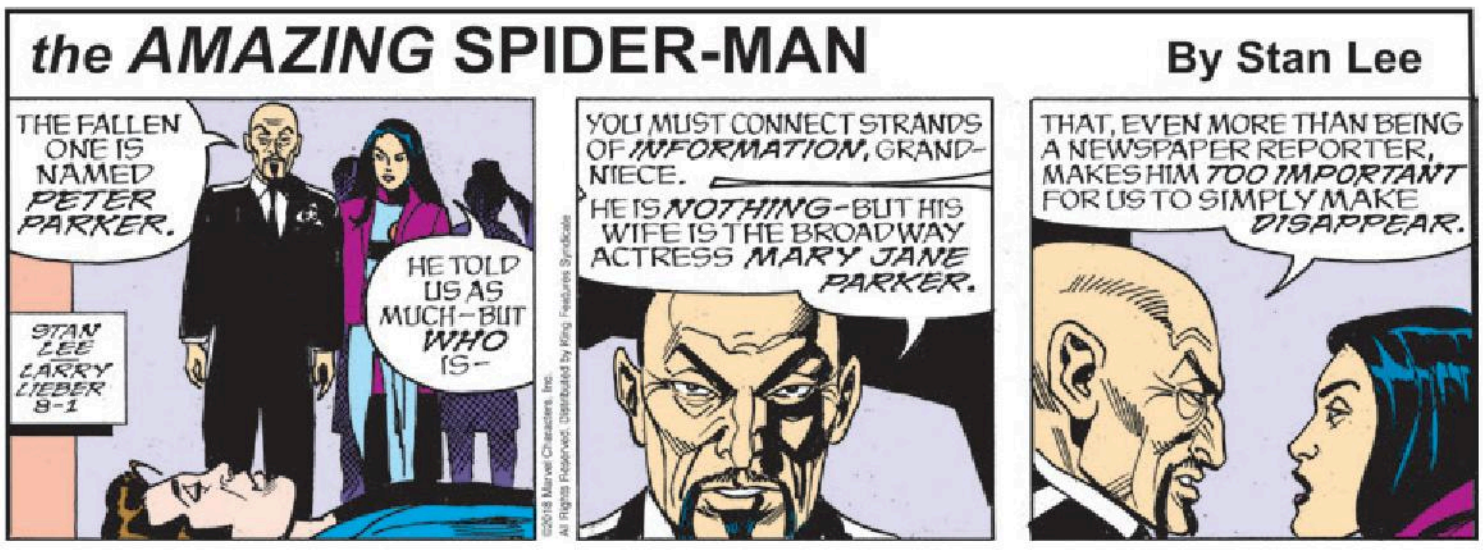
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NEWS BRIEFS

Discourse

Sri Chidrupananda Sarswati Swamiji of Arsha Vidya Ashram will be in Mysuru city from Feb.6 to 10. During his stay in Mysuru, he will be giving discourse on the 18th chapter of Bhagavad Gita at Sadvidya School on Narayan Shastri Road at 6.30 pm daily from Feb.6 and on Upnishad at Eshwara Temple's Shankara Prartana Mandira in V.V. Puram at 7 am from Feb.7.

Theatre training

Charvaka Institute, in association with the Department of Kannada & Culture, will be conducting a theatre training camp from Feb.10 to Mar.30 between 4.30 pm to 6.30 pm at Drama Rehearsal Room in Kalamandira premises. At the end of the camp, participants will be staging the play 'Buddha Yaana,' a six-hour theatre experiment. Also, those trained at the camp will get an opportunity to act in the movie 'Parinati Matigal' to be produced by Charvaka Institute. [Mob: 98801-01305 or 99012-10047].

Entrepreneurship

SJCE-STEP will be conducting a unique programme on 'Technology and Entrepreneurship' to be delivered by experts with international industry experience. The topics of the programme are Aerospace and Aviation opportunities, Aero-structures and Aero Engines, Aero-modelling and UAV Opportunities, Entrepreneurship and Latest Technologies of Aerospace and Mechanical Industries. Those pursuing graduation in Mechanical, Aerospace, Automobile and Industrial Production or passed out graduates may make use of the programme. For details, call Mob: 98800-28706 or 81478-40014.

Ayushman Bharat is a game-changer in healthcare, says Union Minister

Mysuru, Feb.5 (RS&BCT)- Union Minister of State for Health and Family Welfare Ashwini Kumar Choubey said that about 1.5 lakh people have benefited from the ambitious Ayushman Bharat healthcare scheme within the first month of its launch. "The whole world has appreciated the scheme of Narendra Modi Government," he said.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi in September last year had rolled out the Ayushman Bharat - Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (AB-PMJAY), touted as the world's largest healthcare scheme. The insurance scheme provides an annual health cover of Rs.5 lakh per family for secondary and tertiary care hospitalisation.

Nearly 1.5 lakh health and wellness centres will be set up across the country under the Ayushman Bharat scheme, benefiting about 550 million people, the Minister said. He was speaking at the annual Suttur Jathra at Srikshetra Suttur in Nanjangud on Sunday after inaugurating painting and kite flying competition and also cattle fair.

"Ayushman Bharat is a blessing for India and it is a one-of-a-kind programme which plans to ensure that 10.5 crore families making up more than 50 crore people are covered under the Ayushman Bharat," he said. Lakhs of people have been benefited so far, he added. More than 10 crore identified families, covering more than 50 crore, are entitled to benefit under this mission, he said.

The scheme will provide cashless and paperless access to services for the beneficiary at both public and private empanelled hospitals across the country. There will be no capping on family size. This will ensure that all members of designated families, specifically girl child and senior citizens, get maximum coverage.

"Health is a sensitive subject. The schemes have to be implemented swiftly so that every citizen in the country is covered. We have to be very careful so far as the skill is concerned and we have to see how skill can be improved in healthcare," he said and added that Jan Aushadh centres opened across the nation has proved a success.

The Minister recalled the contribution of former Union Minister late H.N. Ananth Kumar in bringing affordable medicines to the poor through Jan Aushadh stores. He complimented the Prime Minster for announcing an exclusive scheme to protect cows through his Government's last Budget and sanctioning Rs.10,000 crore for the same.

Krishnaraja MLA S.A. Ramdas said that Suttur Mutt had inspired the Union Government to reserve money for cow welfare. Suttur Mutt is doing good work in protecting cows since many years along with doing exemplary work in social service, healthcare and education, he added.

Union Health Minister has cataract!

Union Health Minister Ashwini Kumar Choubey has been advised to undergo a cataract surgery within six months. Doctors examining the Minister at the 'Arogya Mysuru,' a free health camp run by MLA S.A. Ramdas, was asked on Sunday to undergo the operation on his left eye before the cataract aggravates.

Enthused by the doctor's observation, the Minister also had a dental check-up at the camp. He appreciated the pro-people works taken up by Ramdas.

Later speaking to reporters, the Minister said that lowering of prices of essential drugs and equipment has so far helped people in saving crores of rupees. Affordable facilities have benefited mainly those who were suffering from cardiac, knee and hip-related ailments, he said.

The camp was inaugurated by the Minister and over 3,000 patients including 393 children were screened for various ailments. The Minister also inaugurated a new outlet of Jan Aushadh Kendra on the premises of Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Ashrama.

Choubey said: "With the lowering of stent prices, the poor and economically weaker sections are able to save most of their income.

"Of the total 10,000 Jan Aushadh outlets planned across the country, 4,900 are operational in 600 districts. When compared to other States, Karnataka is way ahead with the overwhelming response being received from the people. In Mysuru district alone, there are 47 such Kendras including 25 in Mysuru city," he said.

Mysuru Kodagu MP Pratap Simha and others were present.

Yadavagiri Ladies Club celebrates 23rd anniversary

Yadavagiri Ladies Club celebrated its 23rd anniversary recently. Chief guest Shubha Sanjay Urs, Chairperson of Mysuru Literary Forum Charitable Trust, inaugurated the event. Club President Lalitha Ranganath, Secretary Vanaja Gowda, Treasurer Gayathri, Committee Members Geetha Murthy, Sanjeevini Patak & Vidya Srinivas and all Members of the Club were present on the occasion.

GTD launches 'Shaktiman' multipurpose vehicle

Mysuru, Feb. 5 (YDS&NNN)- Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) distributed 53 three-wheelers to physically challenged persons, launched a first of its kind 'My Clean City' mobile app and dedicated 'Shaktiman' multipurpose hydraulic vehicle to the city.

District in-Charge Minister G.T. Devegowda distributed the three-wheelers, launched the app and 'Shaktiman' vehicle yesterday at a function organised by MCC at its premises.

Speaking on the occasion, he said that to regain the cleanest city top spot in the country, the MCC officials, Corporators and the citizens have all joined hands and participated in the Swachh Bharat Abhiyan. Hence, there is every possibility that the city will once again become the number one cleanest city in the country, he added expressing his confidence.

District Minister G.T. Devegowda launching the 'Shaktiman' multipurpose vehicle by cutting the branch of a tree in city yesterday.

It is the job of the MCC to create a healthy environment, maintain cleanliness develop parks, repair and clean UGDs, prune branches and leaves along with keeping the city beautiful. The heartening factor this time is that the Corporators irrespective of their party affiliations have come together and worked hard during the Swachhata campaign, he said lauding the efforts of everyone.

The introduction of the multipurpose hydraulic vehicle 'Shaktiman' has been a real boon to the city to cut dry trees, prune branches etc., he added.

The physically challenged who have been donated three-wheelers must utilise it properly and become empowered and thus carve an independent path to become economically independent, advised GTD.

Minister prunes branches: The Minister climbed the 'Shaktiman' multipurpose hydraulic vehicle and pruned dry branches, thus launching the machine in city.

Rs.300 crore grant: Mayor Pushpalatha Jagannath speaking on the occasion, said that MCC is facing a shortfall of grant and urged the District Minister to get Rs. 300 crore grant for the Corporation.

The cost of each tri-wheeler was Rs. 67,333 and the total cost for 53 vehicles amounted to Rs.35.68 lakh and the money for this was drawn from the 2018-19 year 5 per cent grant, she said.

This is the first time that 53 persons were distributed tri-wheelers and in the coming days more people are going to get it, she added.

MLA L. Nagendra, MCC Commissioner K.H. Jagadeesha, former Mayors and Corporators participated in the programme.

'My Clean City'

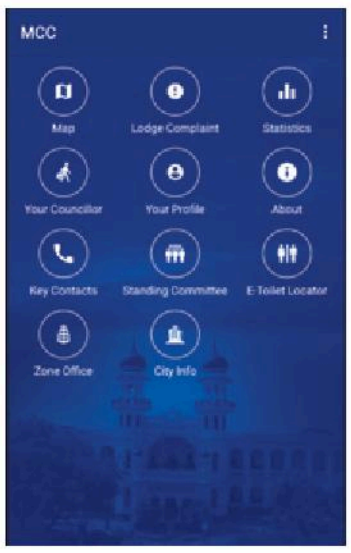
mobile app with revolutionary features makes a mark in city

Mysuru, Feb. 5- Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) has launched an android mobile application named 'My Clean City,' which will act as a powerful tool for both MCC and citizens of Mysuru to deal with every day problem like roads and environment.

This application is available for downloading in Google play-store. People can easily navigate to the application directly by visiting the link www.mymcc.co.in.

According to Naveen Kavirathna, Founder, Future Design Technologies, Mysuru, who has developed this App, there are many other mobile applications available for road and environment management that various municipal authorities have launched. But the MCC App is one of its kind in the entire nation or probably in the world which is stuffed with so many features and top notch technology, which acts in real time.

How it works: Speaking to *Star of Mysore* this morning, Naveen said that with the help of the all-in-one mobile application developed for MCC, citizens would be able to gather details about roads which are maintained by Mysuru City Corporation. The information available in the mobile app on Google Map would include Contractor name and details,



starting and ending date of the work and maintenance period.

Lodge complaints: Citizens could lodge complaints about the problems related to roads like potholes, broken roads, damaged or unmanaged street lamps, damaged sewage pipes, dumping of solid waste, theft of road assets, footpath encroachment, carcasses lying on the road to name a few. The app will help mark the complaints on Google Map in real time, said Naveen.

People can view statistics of the complaints assigned to the authority and the cases pending and solved. The App users will automatically get messages as soon as the problem is solved (work is done). The user also can inspect the work done and give it a rating and also can reopen the issue if not satisfied with the work done. However, the authorities can also reject irrelevant and mischief complaints, he said.

Asked for the difference between the Swachh Bharat App and My Clean City App, Naveen said that the problems faced by the people with regard to the former has been eliminated in the latter App as the grievances and complaints filed are in real time.

"In Swachh Bharat App, only the authorities could see, in our App, anybody can use the statistics in real period. For instance, in Bengaluru when they launched app for potholes, the Palike claimed that all the potholes had been repaired, while many potholes still remained. This cannot happen in this app as it will spot the location and point out whether the potholes have been truly repaired or not," said Naveen.

Ward-level penetration: The App has right now penetrated nine zonal levels since the beta version is being used. In another month it will be updated to Stable version, where all the 65 Wards will be covered.

Thus, one will not only know which ward one is in, but they will also know the name of the area Corporator, under Know Your Corporator. Hence this app is tailor-made for the city, said Naveen.

Meeting of Indian Association of Pre-School Education on Mar. 2

Mysuru, Feb. 5- The General Body Meeting of The Indian Association of Pre-School Education (IAPE), Mysore Chapter, has been convened on March 2, 2019.

All the members are requested to attend the meeting.

For details, contact Mob: 94480-73720 between 6 pm and 8 pm, according to a press release.

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Why North-East Citizens Rebel

Point of VIEW

T.J.S. George

Imagine all South Indian States uniting on a platform of ethnic difference from the North, as C.N. Annadurai briefly contemplated once upon a time. Something similar is happening in the North-East. Ethnically, culturally and historically, the North-Eastern States have been different from the rest of India. North-Easterners often talked about going to the "mainland" when they meant going to India. The mainlanders for their part often referred to North-Easterners in terms and tones of racial superiority.

Elections last February signalled what looked like a sea-change in this scenario. The Congress was unseated and so was the Communist Party that had ruled Tripura under one leader for 20 years. A triumphant BJP formed a one-party government in Tripura while it formed alliances with other parties to take control of the remaining States. It was a clean sweep for the BJP which has had no presence in the North-East till then. In political terms, it was the equivalent of a coup d'etat.

But suddenly last week, the gears slipped into reverse. An ideology-driven initiative by the BJP ignited resentment among its allies across the region. Protestors have taken to the street with mass demonstrations, burning of effigies, and hunger strikes. Six of the region's seven Chief Ministers have suspended their BJP links and formed a united front to fight the BJP-sponsored move to enforce the new legislation in the region and across the country.

What is the BJP move that has provoked so much resentment? Outwardly it looks noble: Promoting a citizenship amendment bill that will give "persecuted minorities" in Bangladesh, Pakistan and Afghanistan the right to become Indian citizens. The phrase "persecuted minorities" does not mean what it means linguistically. Shias and Ahmediyas, Islamic minorities routinely persecuted in Pakistan, qualify to be covered by the phrase, but that must be farthest from the minds of BJP strategists. Everyone knows that the BJP is referring only to the Hindu minorities in neighbouring countries. The proposed amendment means that Hindus in Bangladesh who migrate even illegally to the North-Eastern States and to West Bengal will get citizenship rights. Such migration/citizenship will alter the demographics of the North-Eastern States — a consummation the BJP wants and the local people don't.

The powerful student organisations of Assam and the Assam Gana Parishad were the first to rise in protest. One leader put it bluntly: "Assamese and other indigenous people feel betrayed by the Modi Government which seems hell-bent on making Assam a dumping ground for foreigners thereby threatening our existence." The Gana Parishad has ended its two-year alliance with the BJP. Meghalaya's Chief Minister has warned that the North-East will seek support from across the country including the Congress. Thirteen local parties have said they would pull out of the BJP-led NDA if the amendment bill is taken up in the Rajya Sabha (it is already passed in the Lok Sabha).

Actually, there are issues involved here that concern the whole country. The existing laws do not take religion or ethnicity into account in determining citizenship. The "right of birth" is the accepted norm. If this is enlarged to include the "right of blood" it will mean the acceptance of religion as a determining factor. That is precisely the BJP's aim as its lead strategist in the region, Hemant Biswas Sarma, made clear when he said: "We have to decide who our enemy is — the 1.5 lakh people or the 55 lakh people." (That is, Bengali Hindu illegals or Bengali Muslim illegals in Assam). Note also that the 55 lakh are automatically considered enemy.

Make no mistake, ethnic cleansing is the idea. China is paying heavily for its cleansing drive in Xinjiang, its vast autonomous province with 12 million Turkic-speaking Muslims. This region has more in common with Turkmenistan and the people of Central Asia than with the Chinese which term, in the lexicon of Beijing, principally means the Han people. Beijing's policy of "integrating" Xinjiang has been relentless. Military repression, re-education camps, Sinicization of religion and officially sponsored re-location of thousands of Han Chinese families from the Eastern heartland have not yet succeeded in changing the face and demography of Xinjiang.

India does not even have China's luxury of a one-party dictatorship. Worse, it has a Constitution, a Parliament, a Judiciary with its own mind and a media that defies discipline. But there may be a way out. China used the camouflage "socialism with Chinese characteristics" to grow into a capitalist success story. If BJP goes for "Hindutva with Indian characteristics," perhaps it may yet help India grow into a modern State.

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'Decision on restoration of Lansdowne Building, Devaraja Market after discussion with CM'

Minister G.T. Devegowda assures Heritage Panel experts

Mysuru, Feb.5 (SBD&NNN)- The decision to raze the heritage structures of Lansdowne Building and Devaraja Market or to preserve it will be taken after holding consultations with Chief Minister H.D. Kumaraswamy, said Higher Education and District Minister G.T. Devegowda (GTD).

GTD held a meeting with the members of the Heritage Committee and officials of MCC in this regard, at the Government Guest House here yesterday and said that according to the report of the Task Force Committee the MCC at its Council meeting had take a decision to demolish the structures and rebuild it in the same style.

This decision cannot be overturned now. Any decision has to be taken at the Government level. Hence, the matter would be discussed with the CM and Chief Secretary Vijay Bhaskar and a proper decision would be taken. Even the CM will be asked to personally come and inspect the buildings, he said.

Earlier to this, Heritage Improvement and Restoration Committee (HIRC) Member Prof. N.S. Rangaraju said that HIRC had submitted a report to the MCC stating that both the heritage buildings were really strong. However, the Task Force Committee has stated in its report that both the buildings are weak and hence they need to be demolished and rebuilt.

But there is no heritage expert in this committee as all the experts are civil engineers. It is due to lack of maintenance that a portion of the ceiling collapsed in Lansdowne Building and because a pillar was drilled in Devaraja Market North Gate entrance that the arch collapsed. However, it was reflected that it had collapsed on its own. No efforts were made to find out the reason for the collapse. At least now an enquiry must be conducted, he demanded.

In Vijayapura 54 buildings which are nearly 500-years-old have been preserved. In Hampi, the 700-year-old 'Lotus Mahal' is still strong. The materials used in these structures are the same ones used in the construction of Devaraja Market and Lansdowne Buildings and hence why are they not strong, he wondered.

District Minister G.T. Devegowda chairing a meeting at the Government Guest House in city yesterday as (from left) DC Abhiram G. Sankar, MLA L. Nagendra and Mayor Pushpalatha Jagannath look on.

Further, he went on to point out that he personally had restored Dr. Radhakrishnan Bungalow and Jayalakshmi Vilas Mansion belonging to the University of Mysore. Even the University Quarters where Prof. K.B. Thottappa lived has been restored which now houses Indian Heritage Citizen Network Foundation (IHCNF) office. Besides, even writer R.K. Narayan's bungalow in Yadavagiri has been restored.

Likewise, Devaraja Market and Lansdowne Buildings can be restored without being demolished and there are experts who can conserve these structures. Including the 14 Palaces there are hundreds of structures in Mysuru which should all be declared as heritage buildings. The Government should come forward to preserve the heritage structures as Mysuru City is called Heritage City, he urged.

Another expert, Architect Prof. H.D. Nagesh, Principal, Wadiyar Centre for Architecture, said that in Turkey the nearly 550-year-old Grand Bazaar has been preserved. It is the market which is visited by most number of people in the world. There the traders look after their structures without causing any damage to them, he added.

One more expert Prof. V. Deshpande said that both the heritage structures should be retained and not demolished for any reason. He urged for an enquiry regarding the collapse of a portion of Devaraja Market.

Deputy Mayor Shafi Ahmed, MCC Commissioner K.H. Jagadeesha, Tahsildar Ramesh Babu and other officials were present. Even the representatives of Savani Constructions, who are involved in the restoration work, attended yesterday's meeting.

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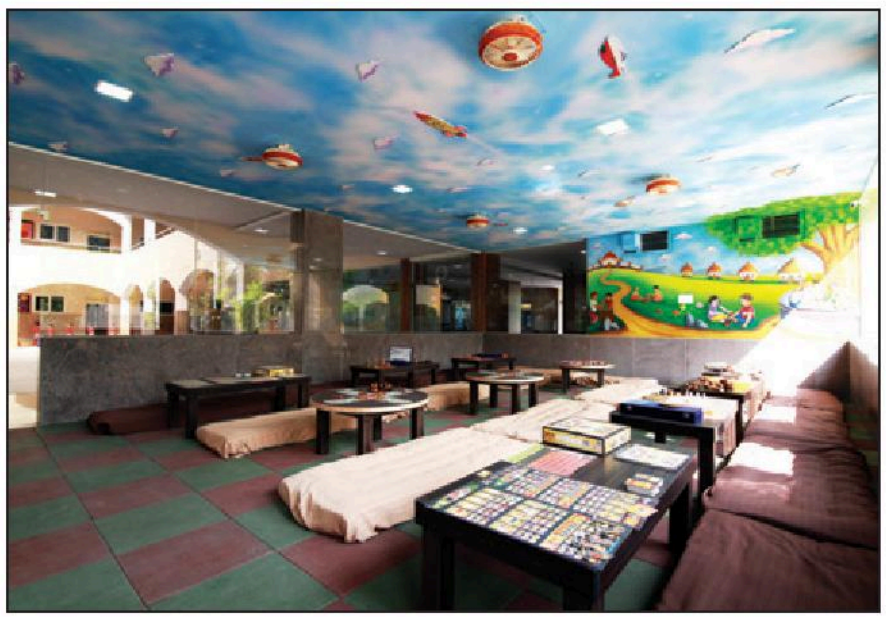

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Twenty-first-century education can no more be narrowly defined to be based on academic achievement only. Instead, it needs to focus on and promote the **holistic education** and success of children.

The need for such an approach gave rise to the recent trend called **"The whole child approach."** Only the whole child approach to education that is systematic, structured, comprehensive and creative can empower young learners to think critically, act creatively, communicate effectively, live amicably and grow positively. STG Public School differs from other schools because they practice and promote "The whole child approach."

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The campus, surrounded by lush greenery with towering trees, encourages the holistic development by nurturing human qualities and imparting knowledge in the true spirit that transforms them into innovative, pragmatic individuals with a global dimension.

At the school, affiliated to the CBSE syllabus, New Delhi, all classrooms are digitally smart classrooms with a short throw projector. These smart boards with Internet connection are a testimony to the fact that the school has wholeheartedly embraced the latest methodology of teaching — there is no debating that the presence of technology is vital to today's teaching-learning process. The aid of audio-visual reinforces learning which leaves an indelible impression on these young minds.

What's learning without getting hands-on? The laboratories at the school are fully equipped to meet the practical curriculum requirements in physics, chemistry, biology, computers, math and language learning, thereby providing an atmosphere of experimentation and hands-on experience.

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Abracadabra... Abracadabra...

By K.B. Ganapathy

All eyes on Supreme Court

Not only the custodian of the Constitution but also of Democracy

Save Constitution? Save Democracy? Save Police Officer? But who will save those who were cheated ?

If salt loses its savour with what shall it be salted?

—Bible

Supreme Court Chief Justice Ranjan Gogoi

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Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI)

> *"Of the four pillars of democracy, it's the judiciary which is supposed to be the most dispassionate. While political leaders traditionally have a penchant for theatrics, bureaucrats for expediency, and the media for hyperbole, the judiciary applies the letter of the law and acts as a custodian of the Constitution. It is often the final, and the most trusted, port of call for any aggrieved citizen."*
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> — *India Today*, dated May 9, 2016

The events people of our country were witnessing at West Bengal's Kolkata following the confrontation between CBI officials and the Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee do not augur well both for our Constitution and Democracy.

However, there is hope because we have one of the most important, if not strong, pillars of Democracy to act as the custodian of the Constitution, our Supreme Court. If the Constitution is treated with legal sanctity and interpreted with a bias for Democracy by the Supreme Court, then we can save both the Constitution and as a corollary Democracy.

India Today, India's leading English Weekly, had expressed this view eloquently in its Editorial dated May 9, 2016 in the very opening paragraph itself. Let me quote:

"Of the four pillars of democracy, it's the judiciary which is supposed to be the most dispassionate. While political leaders traditionally have a penchant for theatrics, bureaucrats for expediency, and the media for hyperbole, the judiciary applies the letter of the law and acts as a custodian of the Constitution. It is often the final, and the most trusted, port of call for any aggrieved citizen."

Of course, the context was when the then Chief Justice of India (CJI) T.S. Thakur broke down while making an emotional appeal to Prime Minister Narendra Modi, who was also on the dais, to appoint more Judges to handle the avalanche of litigation the Courts across the country face. Sadly, Modi did nothing so far. Early disposal of cases has its healthy and beneficial effect on our society and will increase the efficiency of the administration leading to good governance.

Former Judge of the Supreme Court and former Karnataka Lokayukta **Justice Santosh Hegde** had said many times in his public utterances and speeches that one of the ways to curb corruption is speedy disposal of cases — civil, criminal and also corruption — within a reasonable time. The inordinate and unconscionable delay has gone to such a ridiculous extent that we hear of names of dead persons being called as Defendants and Respondents in Courts conducting cases pending for many years.

But then who wants corruption cases to be effectively investigated? Not the politicians. Not the bureaucrats. Only the victims. But who listens to the victims? The only hope is our Courts. But do the victims see even a ray of hope from the Courts?

I am not surprised when the last resort of a victim's hope for justice is mentioned as the Law Court, my friend guffawed. He said that the laws are so perforated even a 'hanging' Judge would find it difficult to pass an order of 'guilty.'

Be that as it may, what we see in Kolkata presently is the theatre of the absurd, nay abuse of power, by a Chief Minister caught in the web of countenancing corruption and fear of losing power. A corruption which might have helped Mamata Banerjee's Trinamool Congress (TMC) win the election (against the Communists who ruled West Bengal for 35 years without break) in 2011 and in 2016 successively.

Now that the size of the corruption and violent nature of administration are exposed, Court conviction being awaited and also a defeat in the ensuing May 2019 Parliamentary election, it is natural Mamata Banerjee is nervous. But then, she knows offence is the best way of defence and so is the unedifying comic-tragic spectacle in Kolkata. All to defend one IPS Police Commissioner by name Rajeev Kumar, who CBI claims is in possession of e-documents and also other papers relating to scams under investigation. Note this. The CBI team had come only after Rajeev Kumar ignored 6 summons from the CBI.

And what kind of scams they are?

1. Saradha Scam: This was a major financial fraud which lured **lakhs of investors** to deposit money in its schemes with glossy brochures and the promise of abnormally high returns. An official estimate says Saradha had mopped up about **Rs. 1,200 crore through its chit funds,** but some calculations put that figure closer to **Rs. 4,000 crore.** The company set up during earlier Communist rule collapsed in April 2013. TMC has two MPs who were part of Saradha. Several political leaders from TMC received financial support from Saradha Group. Politicians from outside the State also benefited from the scam. The most affected States in the Saradha Ponzi Scam were West Bengal, Odisha, Assam, Jharkhand and Tripura.

The Supreme Court transferred the case to CBI after serious allegations of international money laundering, severe regulatory failures and political nexus surfaced. The **company's head Sudipta Sen went missing soon after the scam unfolded.** He was reportedly incommunicado since April 13, 2013, a few days before cheques issued by his Saradha Group began to bounce. He and his right-hand woman were arrested soon after in Jammu and Kashmir after a cross-country chase over many days.

2. Rose Valley Scam: This is a bigger financial fraud than the Saradha scam and according to **Enforcement Directorate** (ED) estimates, more than Rs. 15,000 crore was reportedly collected from depositors across India, mainly from West Bengal, Assam and Bihar. According to ED, **a portion of the money was also used to bribe politicians so that the scam can run smoothly.** Millions of people invested their life savings with hopes of high returns but in the end, all that they had saved got lost in the deep web of scams. The Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) had probed the company before the ED and the CBI registered cases against the Group.

Rajeev Kumar, a 1989 batch IPS Officer, had headed a Special Investigation Team (SIT) probe connected to Saradha and Rose Valley Ponzi Scams before the case was transferred to the CBI in 2014 on Supreme Court's orders.

He has been under fire from the CBI over missing documents linked to the investigations. After media reports that Kumar was "absconding" and he was facing arrest by the CBI, the Kolkata Police said they will take action over the "defamation" by media houses.

So much of cheating of lakhs of poor people who invested in Saradha and Rose Valley and yet the Chief Minister herself goes to the defence of a Police Officer who needs to be investigated in these scams, under the direction of the Supreme Court.

Now it is for the Supreme Court, the last hope of the victimised, gullible citizen of this country, to rise to the occasion, rising above the mindset that had embraced the Supreme Court after that unprecedented and questionable press conference held by four Judges, including the present Chief Justice of India Ranjan Gogoi, on Jan. 12, 2018.

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Consumers oppose power tariff revision

KERC Chairman Shambhu Dayal Meena, flanked by KERC Members H.D. Arunkumar (left) and H.M. Manjunath, during the public hearing at the Court Hall of the DC's Office in city this morning.

Mysuru, Feb.5 (RK&SR)- Power consumers, including domestic and commercial, representatives from industries, urged the members of Karnataka State Regulatory Commission (KERC) this morning to reject proposed power tariff hike of 99.56 paise per unit.

At a public hearing organised by KERC at the Court Hall of the Deputy Commissioner's Office, they demanded the KERC to dismiss the Chamundeshwari Electricity Supply Corporation (CESC) appeal to hike the power tariff across all slabs power consumers for the financial year 2019-2020.

KERC Chairman and retired IAS Officer Shambhu Dayal Meena, accompanied by KERC Secretary Panduranga G. Nayak and Members H.D. Arun Kumar and H.M. Manjunath, heard to the power consumers.

The public hearing was held as per the procedure every year after receiving proposal from Electricity Supply Companies (ESComs) for a revision of tariff and objections for the same from the power consumers.

Today's hearing was for consumers of CESC region comprising Mysuru, Mandya, Chamarajanagar, Hassan and Kodagu. KERC will send a proposal to the State Government with its recommendations after completing all the public hearing.

As the hearing began, CESC MD Dr H.N. Gopalakrishna told KERC that CESC was facing a deficit of Rs.224.79 crore and had a regulatory asset of Rs.407.17 crore. If the profits accrued during 2017-2018 (Rs.1.76 crore) was reduced from this, still there will be a revenue deficit of Rs.632.50 crore.

He defended that its power tariff increase demand of 99.56 paise per unit across all slabs of power consumers will help CESC to overcome the losses and streamline distribution network.

Gopalarkishna claimed that CESC had provided electricity connections to all villages including tribal hamlets, remote areas, covered all the tasked electrification works besides ensuring quality power supply to its consumers.

Responding to the presentation made by the CESC MD, President of Mysore Industries Association (MIA) and former MLA Vasu took strong objections against the CESC appeal of increasing the power traffic.

He urged the KERC not to yield to CESC demands and retain the existing tariff structures in the larger interest of power consumers, who were already jolted by the implementation of GST, demonetisation of higher currency notes and other maintenance cost.

MIA Gen. Secretary Suresh Kumar Jain too opposed the power tariff revision. CESC has failed to improve the efficiency of its operation by implementing the directives issued by the Commission since 2001; the hike in tariffs sought by the applicant is not justified. Industries are suffering due to frequent load-shedding and there is a need for independent feeders for the industries.

He alleged that CESC has been running under loss because of its own mismanagement like its inefficiency in collecting power bill due of Rs.1,300 crore from Gram Panchayats, irregular management of street light connections, not taking any action against the unauthorised irrigation pumpsets, power theft, distribution loss and other reasons. CESC should stop burdening the consumers to cover its own inefficiencies and lapses, he added.

"CESC resorts to unscheduled load shedding and this has resulted in severe business losses, there are more than 70,000 small scale industries in CESC division. The then Chief Minister D. Devaraj Urs had developed industries in Mysuru in more than 6,500 acres of land, former CM Siddaramiah has also contributed a lot for development of Nanjangud Industrial Area at 3,000 acres of land. The Government must reduce the power tariff to save the ailing small scale industries in the region," he said.

Over 300 Police, public run in Open Marathon

Mysuru, Feb.5 (RK&SR)- Over 300 persons, including Police, Jail Warden trainees and public, took part in the Open Marathon organised by City Traffic Police as part of the 30th Road Safety Week celebrations in city this morning.

The Mysuru City Traffic Police has been observing the Road Safety Week under the theme 'Sadak Suraksha - Jeevan Raksha' from Feb.4 to sensitise the public on road safety measures.

DCP (Crime & Traffic) Dr. Vikram V. Amathe flagged off the Marathon at the Kote Anjaneyaswamy Temple premises, Palace North Gate, at 6.40 am.

The Marathon passed through K R. Circle, Devaraja Urs Road, JLB Road, Ramaswamy Circle, 100 feet Road, Gun House Circle, Hardinge Circle and returned to the starting point, after covering a distance of 5.2 kilometres.

Representatives from various Departments including Tourism, PWD, Transport, KSRTC, MCC, City Autorickshaw Drivers and Owners Union, Lorry Drivers and Owners Association, NGOs and Young Indians were part of the awareness programme.

ACPs Gajendraprasad, C. Gopal & Dharmappa, all Civil and Traffic Police personnel, Jail Warden trainees were present during the programme.

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Following are the winners of the Marathon: **Men's Division:** Jail Warden trainee Nanu J. Nayak - 1st prize; SBRR Mahajana College Lecturer Cheluvegowda - 2nd and Jail Warden trainee Kumar - 3rd; **Women's Division:** Jail Warden trainees L. Hemavathy, Deepika Hattur and Ahalya won first, second and third prize respectively.

ACP G.N. Mohan distributed prizes to the winners.

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T.K. Anil Kumar is Mysuru Regional Commissioner

Bengaluru, Feb.5- The State Government on Monday transferred five IAS Officers, according to which senior IAS Officer T.K. Anil Kumar has been appointed as Regional Commissioner at Mysuru, with concurrent charge as Tourism Secretary.

In other postings, Shivayogi Kalasad has been appointed as Regional Commissioner at Bengaluru with concurrent charge as KSRTC Managing Director, while Hepshiba Rani Korlapati has been posted as Udupi DC and Subodh Yadav has been posted as Regional Commissioner at Kalaburagi, with concurrent charge as Hyderabad-Karnataka Development Board (HKDB) Secretary.

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RTO observes National Road Safety Week

Lokanath, Project Director, Karnataka Administrative Service, addressing the gathering after inaugurating the 30th National Road Safety Week, organised by RTO (West), in city yesterday. Others seen are (from left) KR Traffic Sub-Inspector Shivakumar, Inspector R. Jagadeesh, Deputy Transport Commissioner and Senior RTO Prabhuswamy and ACP (Traffic) G.N. Mohan.

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Tribute to a musician

Vidu. Suchitra Holla of Mangaluru presenting a vocal concert in city recently. She is accompanied by Vidwans H.L. Shivashankaraswamy (mridanga), Raghunandan Vyasarao (ghata) and C.N. Tyagaraju (violin). Picture below shows AIR Mysuru Assistant Director H. Srinivas addressing the gathering on the occasion as (from left) Dr. Sukanya Prabhakar, Dr. Rama V. Bennur and Dr. B.J. Ranganath look on.

Dr. Rama V. Bennur

Mysuru has given birth not only to best musicians but also to many best composers. Mysore Sadashiva Rao, Veena Seshanna, Subbanna, K. Vasudevachar, Veena Venkatagiriyappa, Veena Shivaramayya, Belakavadi Srinivasa Iyengar, C. Rangiah and the list goes on. Thanks to Wadiyars of Mysuru who have contributed immensely towards promoting art and artistes.

Interestingly, though Rangiah was an art teacher he revered music as his pathway to salvation. Acquiring accolades was the least he could think of. He was a multi-talented person who was a teacher, writer, director, poet, composer, and a musicologist. He has some twenty new ragas to his credit. He has composed in all the 72 Melakartha Ragas and all the 35 Taalas. He has also penned a few musical plays. His compositions are accomplished with Swarajathi, Keerthana, Varna, Devaranama, Tillana and many more forms.

An ardent teacher, Vid. C. Rangaiah is fondly remembered by his disciples. They celebrated his 125th birth year on the 27th of January 2019 under the aegis of Ranga Smruthi Sangeetha Sabha and Lalitha Kala Kendra.

The programme was inaugurated by **H. Srinivas,** Assistant Director of AIR Mysuru. **Vidu. Sukanya Prabhakar** spoke on the contribution of Vid. Rangiah.

Vidu. Suchitra Holla of Mangaluru gave a fine vocal concert with only the compositions of C. Rangiah. She was accompanied by **Vidwans C.N. Tyagaraju** (violin), **H.L. Shivashankaraswamy** (mridanga) and **Raghunandan Vyasarao** (ghata).

Blessed with an attractive voice and a good style of singing, Suchitra easily captures the listener's attention. The Varna in the raga Ranjani 'Ranjani raga ranjitha' was crisp and a good choice. In fact her selection of ragas for the day were perfect and not so common. They gave a lot of scope to prove her creative talent. The brief sketch of Nasikabhooshini was impressive. 'Gajavadana mam pahi' had a frill of interesting kalpana swaras. Yet another composition saluting Vinayaka 'Shankari sukumara paalaya' in Shuddha saveri was equally good.

C. Rangiah's keerthanas follow the footsteps of Tyagaraja and Dikshitar. The lyrics that are mostly in Sanskrit and the different shades of its moods with a perfectly matching Dhaatu reminds one of the trinities.

'Sathyanarayanam nithyam chinthaye' in Panthuvarali is an example to it. The melodious delineation of the raga by both Suchitra and C.N. Tyagaraju created the required mood for the kruthi to follow. The opening line was taken for neraval that was presented in detail. Kokilapriya was the raga chosen for a pallavi. The appropriate phrases unveiled the beauty of the raga. After a short and crisp taana, she began the Pallavi, set to Khanda Triputa taala. 'Haripalaye Kamalalaye Kokilapriye tvam kalaye,' an opening line of one of his Keerthanas was adopted to be a pallavi. But Suchitra's prowess was proved in setting the pallavi into two different gatis. The poorvardha or the first half was in Tishra gati and the Uttarardha or the second half was set to Khanda gati, thus making it more complicated! Both Suchitra and Tyagaraju handled it with ease. The challenging taala was superbly managed by **Shivashankaraswamy** along with his disciple Raghunandan Rao in the Tani avartana.

A fine composition 'Ume pahimam' in the raga Revathy was presented with total bhava. A sloka from one of the musical Ramayana written by C. Rangiah brought the curtains down.

Item - Engineering social change through theatre

By K. Apoorvananda

For the 3rd day of Bahuroopi 2019, a Gujarati play called 'Item' was staged in Bhoomigeeta. The stage was filled with an all-woman performance and the whole play was of course woman-centric.

Using bright coloured costume and simple setwork, the play was able to convey the theme of the play which was in Gujarati to an audience which spoke little or no Gujarati. It is not easy to speak to an audience from an unknown place about taboo topics discussed in this play. Though the task can be slightly intimidating, it was carried off with ease.

The actors had a strange sort of connect with the play as the whole play was about personal experiences of the actors themselves which were of different age groups which made for interesting and unique content.

The experiences were right from puberty to middle age and the theme was such that audience was able to connect to at least one part of the play. The most surprising part is the performers not only connected to the women in the audience but also the men.

A successful production is one which gives food for thought and makes people think, and the content definitely made people think. The perception that woman are fragile creatures that need to be protected is a farce is one thing that kept ringing throughout the entire play.

Coming from Gujarat, the actors had an interesting way to balance out the language barrier. Throughout the performance, over the top Bollywood clichés were sprinkled which made the audience gaze into the past with nostalgia and also

roll out in splits of laughter.

'Item' is a complete script comprising of a Broadway style performances which has a complete range of emotions.

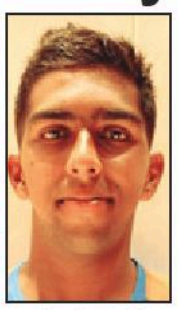
It is a well-written script by NSD graduate **Arpita Dhagat.** The play has several layers as it discussed all aspects of a woman's life which is not only necessary for a country like India which objectifies its woman but also has a nasty habit of equating beauty with things not remotely related to it. The performance exudes class as such topics need to be handled with care so as to not present things in its most raw form.

The Director has an interesting way of putting across humour which not only speaks of her intelligence but also her connect with the audience. Every time the script turned into something very serious, the tone of the play lightened by one of the characters coming out with a list of '10 things to know' which made for some very interesting viewing.

All in all 'Item' will surely be counted as one of the standout plays of Bahuroopi 2019. They have not only left a mark on theatre but also set standards for contemporary theatre and original scripts.

Rohinton Baria Trophy All India Inter-University Cricket

University of Mysore enters final



Dheemanth *Venkatesh*

Mysuru, Feb.5- Opener B. Dheemanth (59, 6x4) and M. Venkatesh (50, 40b, 3x4, 2x6), helped University of Mysore (UoM) to register a 28-run win over Veer Bahadur Singh Purvanchal University, Jaunpur, UP and enter final in Rohinton Baria Trophy All India Inter-University Cricket 2018-19, conducted by KIIT, Bhubaneswar, at their Grounds yesterday.

In the final, UoM will meet Guru Nanak Dev University (GNDU), Amritsar. Incidentally, UoM had won the Rohinton Baria All India Inter-University Cricket title in 1950-51, 1951-52, 1961-62 and emerged runner-up in 1939-40. In 2004-05 UoM had secured the fourth place.

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Semi-final — UoM: 230 for 8 in 45 overs (B. Dheemanth 59, M. Venkatesh 50, M. Varun 31, Gowtham Sagar 26, Vikas Meena 2 for 25, Aryan Choudhury 2 for 42) bt **Purvanchal University, Jaunpur:** 201 in 40 overs (Vipin Chandra 49, Abhay Yadav 21, K. Shashank 2 for 31, M. Venkatesh 1 for 38, Utham Aiyappa 1 for 28, Yodhan Hrudhay 1 for 20, B.S. Suhas 1 for 34).

MDFA 'C' Division Football Tourney

Facile win for South Western Railway

Mysuru, Feb.5- A goal each by centre-forward Purmi (25th), right-out Vineth (66th) and forward Bala Sachin (69th) helped South Western Railway NFC to register a 3-1 win over Bravers FC in the MDFA 'C' Division Football League 2018-19 for the Chirag Trophy played at the University Grounds here yesterday.

RESULT — South Western Railway NFC: 3 (Purmi 25, Vineth 66, Bala Sachin 69) bt **Bravers FC:** 1 (Prajwal 32).

National Karate Championships

Mysuru karateka wins Silver

Mysuru karateka Deia Urs** (extreme right), **who won silver medal in the National Karate Championships held in Chennai recently, is seen with** (from left) **Siddhi Gharu & Farshana (Bronze) and Priyanka (Gold).

Mysuru, Feb.5- Karate Association of India (KAI), the National Federation for Sports Karate in India, which is recognised by Indian Olympic Association, had organised Cadet, Junior and U-21 National Karate Championships at J.J. Indoor Stadium, Kilpauk, Chennai, from Jan.28 to 31. Around 600 Karatekas from across India took part in this prestigious Championship.

The Championship was inaugurated by KAI President Shihan Karate Tiagarajan, Chairman of Bodukan Karate India Suman, Vice-President of KAI Shihan C.S. Arun Machaiah, KAI RC Chairman, Shihan Paramjeeth Singh and host of Senior Masters. For the first time, the championship was organised in the new 2019 WKF Kata Rules (Point System); where in the total number of participants (20) were divided into two (Aka &Ao) groups. The contestants had to perform two Katas in two rounds and points would be awarded for each round performed, and the topper in each group of two rounds would automatically qualify directly for the finals to fight for gold and silver medals, and the next best two toppers in each group would fight for the two remaining bronze medals.

City's Karateka, 2nd PUC student of VVS GJ PU College, Kuvempunagar and State No.1 Deia Urs, who took part in the U-21 individual female kata category, topped her group (Ao) by securing 24.42 points in the first round and 24.50 points in the second round of kata to qualify for the finals directly. Priyanka of Tamil Nadu topped the other group (Aka) by securing 25.12 and 23.80 points respectively to enter the finals.

But, in the finals, Deia Urs eventually lost to Priyanka by a margin of 0.3 points and had to settle for silver medal. Deia Urs scored 23.90 in the ultimate round, while Priyanka of Tamil Nadu scored 24.20 to win the gold. Siddhi Gharu of Maharashtra and Farshana of Kerala took the remaining bronze medals.

AKSKA President, C.S. ArunMachiah, RC Chairman, K.P. Jose, Administrative Secretary, Bhargav Reddy and host of WKF, AKF and KAI Judges and Referees headed the Karnataka contingent. Karnataka had a tally of 3 silver and 6 bronze medals at the championships.

Deia, who has 3rd Degree KAI Black Belt, is the daughter of Roopa Urs and is trained by her father B.S. Srinath Urs, a certified and accredited National Karate Coach and are affiliated to-KAI headed by ShihanTiagarajan and All India ShitoRyu Karate Do Union headed by Shihan C.S. Arun Machiah.

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Kohli, Jasprit Bumrah remain on top of ICC Rankings

India rise to 2nd in ODIs

New Delhi, Feb.5- India's stellar run in Australia and New Zealand is now reaping dividends. The Indian cricket team has now grabbed the second spot in the ICC One-Day International (ODI) rankings in which captain Virat Kohli and Jasprit Bumrah have continued to top the respective charts for batsmen and bowlers. India have accumulated 122 points on the back of series wins over Australia and New Zealand and are placed behind England (126) in the fresh list, the ICC said in a statement.

M.S. Dhoni also moved up owing to a strong showing against Australia last month, which fetched him 'Player of the Series' award. Dhoni has moved up three places to 17th position in the batting list for a run, which included three consecutive half-centuries against Australia. New Zealand fast bowler Trent Boult surged to third in the rankings for bowlers after finishing with 12 wickets in the series against India, which culminated in Wellington on Sunday with a 4-1 victory for the visiting side.

The 29-year-old left-armer, who swung the ball prodigiously to claim 5 for 21 and helped New Zealand to a win in the fourth match, has moved up seven places, the ICC said in a statement. Boult topped the rankings in January 2016, and is again on his way up, with only Bumrah and Afghanistan leg-spinner Rashid Khan ahead of him. India leg-spinner Yuzvendra Chahal (up one place to fifth) and fast bowler Bhuvneshwar Kumar (up six places to 17th) are among others to move up in the latest rankings.

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Minister S.R. Mahesh distributes
Tourist Taxis to unemployed youths

Tourism Minister S.R. Mahesh handing over the key of a Tourist Taxi to a beneficiary at the distribution programme held near the Office of the Deputy Commissioner in city yesterday. ADC B.R. Poornima, Deputy Director of Tourism Department Janardhan and others are seen.

Mysuru, Feb. 5 (RKB&SR)-A distribution programme of Tourist Taxis to unemployed SC/ST youths (ST), other Backward Classes and Minorities was held near the Office of the Deputy Commissioner in city yesterday.

Tourism Minister S.R. Mahesh handed over the keys of Tourist Taxis to 35 beneficiaries and music instruments to 42 beneficiaries.

The taxis and music instruments were given by the Department of Tourism and District Administration under Special Component Plan (SCP) and Tribal Sub Plan (TSP) and Self Employment schemes. Drums, keyboards, drum pads and other musical instruments were handed over to selected youths.

Speaking on the occasion, the Minister said that the State Government had introduced this scheme for the benefit of unemployed youth as part of promotion of self employment and tourism activities.

The State Government will bear 50 percent of the cost of the vehicles and the banks will advance auto loans for 45 percent of cost at an interest rate of 10 percent.

The beneficiaries will have to bear five percent of the cost for purchase of tourist taxi. Earlier, the State Government was providing Rs. 2 lakh grant for purchase of a taxi, but now it has been increased to Rs. 3 lakh by Chief Minister from this year. Unemployed youths must make use of government grant to lead an independent self reliant life, the Minister said.

Later speaking to reporters, the Minister said that the State Government has decided to distribute grants to 1,000 youths for purchase of Tourist Taxis during this financial year.

Additional Deputy Commissioner (ADC) B.R. Poornima, Deputy Director of Tourism Janardhan and others were present.

'State will not step back on Disneyland in KRS'

Mysuru, Feb.5- There is no question of stepping back from the construction of Karnataka Government's ambitious 'Disneyland' project at Krishna Raja Sagar (KRS) Reservoir, said Tourism Minister S.R. Mahesh here on Sunday.

Answering to a reporter's query, the Minister said that the project was included in the last year budget announcement. Pros and cons debates over the construction of this project are going on at various level.

However, the government will convince the organisations and people who are opposing and will implement this project, he said.

More grants: He said that Mysuru is expected to get more grants for various developments works in the State Budget presentation on Feb.8.

He said that he and District Minister G.T. Devegowda had sought Chief Minister H.D. Kumaraswamy to allocate more funds for the district.

Referring on the political developments of destabilising the State Coalition Government, he said that Opposition BJP leaders were making last efforts to topple the government, which they will not succeed.

He alleged that BJP leaders were wooing both Congress and JD(S) MLAs by offering crores of rupees. One of the MLA, who was offered money, brought it to the notice of the CM, he said.

Ridiculing the efforts of BJP leaders for trying to bring down the government, he said that the BJP leaders instead of providing constructive suggestions for the State Government were indulging such undemocratic activities, which they would not be successful, he added.

Ballahalli Layout

Farmers oppose parting with their land

Mysuru, Feb. 5 (RK)- District Minister G.T. Devegowda faced stiff opposition from farmers for acquisition of land by MUDA for its proposed Ballahalli Layout project.

It has been over six years that Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA) decided to develop a layout at Ballahalli next to RT Nagar. But the project has been pending because farmers are opposed to parting with their land. The MUDA's dream project was conceived in 2012 and entailed developing a self-sufficient satellite township, which could ease the pressure of development and urbanisation in Mysuru.

When the project was proposed, it was first in Karnataka where in a farmer would get developed sites in return for land at 50:50 ratio. To partner with land losers, MUDA, which wants to acquire 431 acres for the layout, proposed the 50:50 formula.

The meeting on Monday afternoon convened at village temple premises, off the outer ring road was attended by District Minister G.T. Devegowda, MUDA Commissioner P.S. Kantharaju, City Planning Member B.N. Girish, Special Land Acquisition Officer Indiramma, Secretary Savitha, SE B.K. Suresh Babu and other MUDA officials.

As the meeting began, MUDA Commissioner Kantharaju said that land owners would get a 50:50 share in developed sites. Also, Rs. 5 lakh per acre will be given to families as maintenance for a year and fully developed sites will be handed over to the land losers the next year, he said and added that the Government accorded permission in 2015, following which the primary notification for acquisition of land was issued in 2016.

Even as the MUDA Commissioner said this, a few farmers claimed that they have been kept in the dark over the layout. But MUDA officials countered them, when locals went near the dais and started arguing.

Though Minister G.T. Devegowda tried to allay the apprehensions of the farmers that the land cannot be forcibly acquired, the farmers were in no mood to relent and questioned the rationale for holding the meeting without their consent in the first place. They also repeatedly interrupted the Minister and countered him questioning what would be their livelihood if their farmland was converted into sites.

A visibly upset Devegowda hit out at MUDA officials and asked them why he was invited to attend the meeting without resolving the issues pertaining to land acquisition.

The Minister admonished MUDA Commissioner Kantharaju for inviting him for the meeting without ironing out the differences with the farmers. Devegowda also lashed out at the local residents saying that their behaviour diminished the dignity of their village. He then threw the microphone, walked out of the stage and left the village in a huff.

With this, the satellite township project for which the MUDA proposes to acquire 431 acres of land, has received a setback and may not be revived in the immediate future.

The project entailed land acquisition to an extent of 500 acres in the initial stages, which was subsequently curtailed to 431 acres. This was supposed to be the first project under the 50:50 scheme.

But Friday's chaotic meeting underscored the fact that the farmers were not ready to part with their land.

Elected to Muslim Co-op. Bank

Mysuru, Feb.5- In the elections to the Members of the Managing Committee of The Muslim Co-operative Bank Ltd., New Sayyaji Rao Road, Mysuru, held on Sunday between 9 am and 4 pm, all the nine candidates from the ruling group were elected.

As per the byelaw of the Bank, 13 Directors have to be elected — two seats reserved for women Directors, two reserved for Other Backward Class (OBC) "A" category and remaining nine seats for General Category.

G.C. Jyothi Urs, Assistant Registrar of Co-operative Societies, Mysuru, was the Returning Officer who conducted the election.

Two women candidates Irfana Azmi and Dr. Surriya Taranum, along with former Corporator K.C. Shoukath Pasha and Abdul Rahman Shariff, were elected unopposed while 12 candidates contested for the remaining nine Directors' post.

Out of the total 5,228 voters, 1,843 cast their votes. General Manager of the Bank Fazlulla Shariff supervised the election process.

Former Minister and MLA Tanveer Sait, former MUDA Member N. Anwar Pasha (Annu), former Corporator Naseeruddin (Babu), Hazrath Moulana Mohamed Rafiuddin Qasmi Saheb, Khateeb O Imam, Masjid E Kuchi Memon, Taj Mohamed Khan, Hon. Secretary, Farooqia Institutions, who were the shareholders of the Bank, visited Vidyavardhaka Law College and cast their votes.

Arun Kumar Gowda, Inspector, Mandi Police Station and Basavaraj, Sub-Inspector, supervised the Police bandobust.

After the counting of votes, Returning Officer announced the names of the following nine candidates who got elected: Dr. Abdul Ravoof (1,470 votes), Dr. Muneer Ahmed (1,392), Mir Humayun (1,364), Ahmed Salim Ahmed (1,335), Iftekhar Ahmed Khan (1,333), Nisar Ahmed Khan (1,286), Mohamed Akram (1,240), Mohamed Abdul Salam (1,238) and Rahmath Ulla Shariff (1,215 votes).

Mime Ramesh to be feted this evening

Mysuru, Feb.5 (RKB&US)- Rangayana artiste Mime Ramesh, who has won the Nataka Academy Award, will be felicitated today at 6 pm by Pratibimba Theatre Group at the Mini-theatre in Kalamandira premises here.

Disclosing this to the Press yesterday, artiste Uday Kumar said that State Sahitya Academy Chairman Prof. Aravind Malagathi will inaugurate the programme. He added that the play '*Ashwathama*' directed by Mime Ramesh will also be staged on the occasion with free entry for the public.

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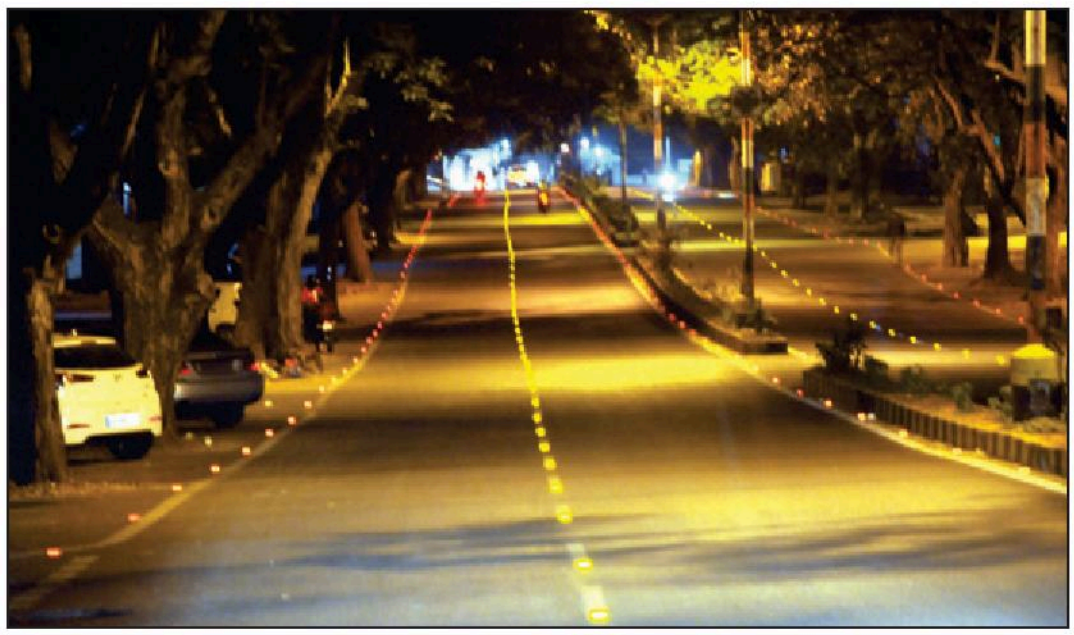

Taking the tax-payers by surprise, thousands of Road Blinker Studs were installed overnight on M.G. Road (from opposite City Law Courts Complex passing through Agrahara Circle to the junction on NH-212). This comes after the irregularities to the tune of Rs.1.40 crore in the bill pertaining to the works taken up on the said road came to light recently and following the MCC officials' inspection. It may be recalled, though the blinker studs were not installed, the bill of the contractor worth lakhs of rupees was passed, which was discussed at the MCC Council Meeting recently.

Attempt to run over car on Police Inspector

Four arrested, car seized

Mysuru, Feb.5 (KS)- Four persons, who attempted to run over a car on a Police Inspector, who was on duty, were arrested by Kuvempunagar Police on Feb.2 and a case has been registered at Saraswathipuram Police Station in this regard.

Kiran *Keerthi* *Kiran Kumar* *Manjunath*

The arrested are 34-year-old K. Kiran, 35-year-old K. Keerthi, 32-year-old Kiran Kumar and 28-year-old B. Manjunath. The Police have also seized the Santro car (KA-09 P-9809) used for the crime.

On Feb.2 at about 12.35 am, Kuvempunagar Inspector J.C. Raju and staff were conducting checking of vehicles near Bogadi Check-Post in Saraswathipuram Police limits, when the four accused, who came in the Santro car, saw the Police checking, took a U-turn and sped away.

Suspecting something fishy, Inspector Raju and staff, chased the Santro car in their Department vehicle and caught them near Sai Saraswathi School near Bankers Colony, during which the accused tried to run over the car on Inspector Raju, who managed to escape. The accused then manhandled the Inspector and prevented the Police from performing their duties.

Soon, Inspector Raju, ASI Shivanna and staff Madesh, Yogesh, Suresh and Praveen, caught hold of the accused and took them into custody and registered a case at Saraswathipuram Police Station, according to a press release from the Public Relations Officer (PRO), City Police Commissioner's Office, Mysuru.

Bicycle thief nabbed

19 bicycles of various companies' worth about Rs.2 lakh recovered

Mysuru, Feb.5 (KS)- Vijayanagar Police, on Feb.3, have arrested a person near Surya Bakery in Hebbal on charges of stealing bicycles and have recovered 19 bicycles of various companies worth about Rs.2 lakh from him. The arrested is 30-year-old Venkatesh, a native of Hassan district who is staying at an old house near Surya Bakery in Hebbal here.

During interrogation, the accused is said to have confessed of stealing bicycles parked inside and out of the compound of houses in Vijayanagar and surrounding areas since six months. Based on the information provided by the accused, the Police have recovered 19 bicycles stolen by him.

The accused already has a case registered at Vijayanagar Police Station.

DCP Dr. Vikram V. Amathe and N.R. Sub-Division ACP supervised Vijayanagar Inspector B.G. Kumar, ASI Venkatesh Gowda and staff in the nabbing and recovery operation, according to a press release from the Public Relations Officer (PRO), City Police Commissioner's Office, Mysuru.

Bike-lifters' menace in Mysuru

24 two-wheelers stolen last month

Mysuru, Feb.5 (SBD&NNN)- The menace of bike-lifters in city has increased and just in a month, more than 20 bikes have been stolen.

In the month of January, five bikes each in the Police Station limits of Vijayanagar, Nazarbad, and NR, two bikes each in Devaraja and Mandi Police Station and one each in V.V. Puram, Lashkar, Ashokapuram, Jayalakshmipuram and KR Police Stations have been stolen and complaints registered.

It looks like it has become a common phenomenon in the city to see bikes being stolen. In the night, bikes parked in front of the houses after being locked will not be found at dawn. By the time one goes inside and comes out after parking the bike in front of hospital, it will have disappeared. The same is the situation when one parks it in front of a shop and goes to a nearby shop and returns. There are such dangerous thieves lurking all the time to deftly unlock the bike and ride them away.

Most of the times it is also due to the negligence of the two-wheeler riders themselves as they leave the scooters and motorbikes parked in a hurry with the key in the ignition lock. A few do not lock the handle-lock. This is the reason for several two-wheelers being stolen from K.R. Hospital and Cheluvamba Hospital premises.

Though the Police try to create awareness among public it has not helped. While parking the vehicles, the bike riders should be careful to lock the bikes and also take care to see that the handle locks are locked. Apart from this, it would also be a good idea to have separate locks for the wheels. Care should also be taken to see while duplicate keys are getting done or the vehicles are left for repairs. If such precautionary measures are taken, bike thefts could be avoided, said Police sources.

Fire reduces petty shop to ashes

Mysuru, Feb.5 (RK&KS)- An accidental fire has reportedly reduced a petty shop to ashes near Srinivasa Theatre in Bannimantap here last night.

The public, who saw the petty shop on fire, informed Bannimantap Fire Brigade Station following which the fire personnel along with the fire extinguisher vehicle rushed to the spot and doused the fire. But the fire had completely destroyed the petty shop by then, it is learnt.

Meanwhile, the localities have suspected that some miscreants under the influence of alcohol may have set the shop on fire.

Mandi Police have registered a case in this regard.

Mallalli Falls tragedy

City youth saves two tourists before getting drowned

Madikeri/Mysuru, Feb. 5 (KS)- A Mysuru youth, who had come on a trip along with his friends to Mallalli Falls at Somwarpet taluk in Kodagu, was drowned after he rescued two tourists from drowning on Sunday, thus displaying his bravery.

Skanda

The deceased youth is Skanda (24), son of Shankar, Asst. Registrar, University of Mysore and Revathi, residents of Vivekananda Nagar in Mysuru.

According to the Intimation of First Intelligence received describing an accidental or unnatural death by Somwarpet Police, Skanda, who had come along with his colleagues to Kodagu on Feb.1, had stayed in Kushalnagar. On Feb.3 at about 11 am, they had come to Mallalli Falls and were sitting on the rocks near the falls. Meanwhile, two tourists, who had ventured into the waters began to drown and screamed for help. Skanda, jumped into the water and managed to rescue the two tourists before getting drowned.

Meanwhile, the others who were on the rocks informed the people and one Chennappa, who runs a shop on the road atop the falls, fished out the body of Skanda from the water.

Meanwhile, Skanda's mother Revathi, speaking to *SOM* this morning, said that her son was a swimming champion and he died while rescuing tourists from Bihar. Skanda was an employee of Accenture in Bengaluru and had joined the company in March 2018. The last rites of Skanda were performed at the foot of Chamundi Hill yesterday.

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Movie	Theatre	Phone	Shows
KANNADA			
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	Woodlands	2422871	4 Shows
Bazaar	Mahadeshwara	9986022634	4 Shows
	Lido	2420885	4 Shows
Mataash	Lakshmi	2443584	4 Shows
KGF	Shanthala	2427584	4 Shows
	Sangam	2520494	4 Shows
Anukta	Skyline	2481170	4 Shows
Bhootha Kaala	Olympia	2420737	4 Shows
HINDI			
KGF	Balaji Deluxe	2497199	4 Shows
URI-The Surgical Strike	Prabha	2423569	4 Shows
	Sri Nagaraj	2520490	4 Shows
	Sterling	2481170	4 Shows
Mashooka	Uma	2520009	4 Shows
TAMIL			
Vantha Rajavathaan Varuven	Padma	2521923	4 Shows
	Thibbadevi	2452958	4 Shows
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F2 - Fun and Frustration	Rajkamal	2423554	4 Shows

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KGF (K)	(S-1)	10.30 am
Ek Ladki Ko Dekha Tho Aisa Laga (H)	(S-1)	1.30 pm
	(S-4)	7.15 pm, 9.50 pm
URI- The Surgical Strike (H)	(S-1)	4.15 pm, 7.05, 9.50 pm
	(S-4)	10.15 am
Escape Room (E)	(S-2)	10.50 am, 9.55 pm
Manikarnika - Queen Of Jhansi (H)	(S-2)	1.00 pm, 4.00 pm
Bazaar (K)	(S-2)	6.55 pm
Mataash (K)	(S-3)	10.15 am
Sarvam Thalamayam (Ta)	(S-3)	1.20 pm
Peranbu (Ta)	(S-3)	4.00 pm
Seetharama Kalyana (K)	(S-3)	6.55 pm
	(S-4)	1.05 pm
Allu Ramendran (Feature Film-Ma)	(S-3)	9.55 pm
Vantha Rajavathaan Varuven (Ta)	(S-4)	4.10 pm

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URI- The Surgical Strike (H)	(S-2)	10.00 am, 4.05 pm
		7.00 pm, 9.55 pm
Ek Ladki Ko Dekha Tho Aisa Laga (H)	(S-1)	9.45 am, 2.30 pm
		5.05 pm, 9.55 pm
Manikarnika - The Queen Of Jhansi (H)	(S-4)	9.50 pm
Seetharama Kalyana (K)	(S-2)	12.55 pm
Escape Room (E)	(S-1)	12.15 pm, 7.40 pm
Mataash (K)	(S-4)	3.35 pm
Sarvam Thalamayam (Ta)	(S-4)	12.50 pm
Vantha Rajavathaan Varuven (Ta)	(S-3)	3.25 pm
Peranbu (Ta)	(S-3)	9.45 pm
Bazaar (K)	(S-3)	9.45 am, 6.35 pm
Anuktha (K)	(S-4)	10.05 am
Trayodasha (K)	(S-3)	12.55 pm
Allu Ramendran (Feature Film) (Ma)	(S-4)	6.40 pm

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	3.50 pm, 7.20 pm, 10 pm
Escape Room (E)	11 am, 4.50 pm, 10 pm
Sarvam Thaala Mayam (Ta)	12.40 pm
URI - The Surgical Strike (H)	12.50 pm, 3.50 pm, 6.50 pm
Mataash (K)	1.20 pm
Manikarnika: The Queen of Jhansi (H)	3.30 pm
Peranbu (Ta)	6.30 pm
Bazaar (K)	6.45 pm
Anukta (K)	9.50 pm
Vantha Rajavathaan Varuven (Ta)	10 pm

NOTE: Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there are no minimum audience of 15 to the film announced here.

Suttur Jathra Agri Fair, Expo to conclude tomorrow

Mysuru, Feb.5- Following are the events to be held tomorrow (Feb.6) as part of the Annual Jathra Mahotsava at Suttur in Nanjangud:

4 am: Karthru Gadduge, Maharudrabhisheka; **6.30 am:** Peace-Prayer Friendship March; **7.30 am:** Shatsthala Flag Hoisting - Sri Immadi Cheelala Deshikendra Swamiji of Sri Viraktha Mutt, Nanjupura, H.D. Kote taluk. Message - Sri Mahadeva Swamiji of Sri Pattada Mutt, Benakanahalli, T. Narasipur taluk.

10.30 am: Maharudrabhisheka to Sri Adi Jagadguru Utsava Murthy (Bank of Kapila River), Astotthara Shathakumbhothsava Panchamruthabisheka.

VALEDICTORY OF AGRICULTURAL FAIR AND EXPO - Jagadguru Dr. Sri Thontada Siddarama Mahaswamiji of Yediyur Samsthana Mutt, Gadag-Dambal and Sri Ramakrishna Ashrama President Swami Athmajnanandaji will grace the occasion. Former Chief Minister Siddaramaiah inaugurates. Union Minister D.V. Sadananda Gowda presides.

PRIZE DISTRIBUTION: Agricultural Fair by P.T. Parameshwara Naik, Minister for Muzrai and Skill Development; Exhibition by R. Dhruvanarayan, MP of Chamarajanagar. MLAs C.C. Patil, S.T. Somashekar and Ravindra Srikantaiah, MLC G. Raghu Achar, former Minister Rani Satish, former MLA M.K. Somashekar, Karnataka State Women's Congress President Dr. Pushpa Amarnath and Press Information Bureau ADG M. Nagendraswamy chief guests.

12 noon: Mahamangalarathi; **12.10 pm:** Karthrugadduge Anna Bramhothsava.

EVENTS TODAY (FEB.5)

Sri Raghavendraswamy Seva Samiti: Discourse by Pt. Be.Na. Vijayindracharya, Mutt premises, Jayalakshmipuram, **5 pm.**

Institution of Engineers-India (IEI), Mysuru: Felicitation to T.M. Gunaraja, National President, IEI Kolkata, Dr. R. Suresh, Chairman, IEI Mysuru, presides, Institution premises, JLB Road, **6 pm.**

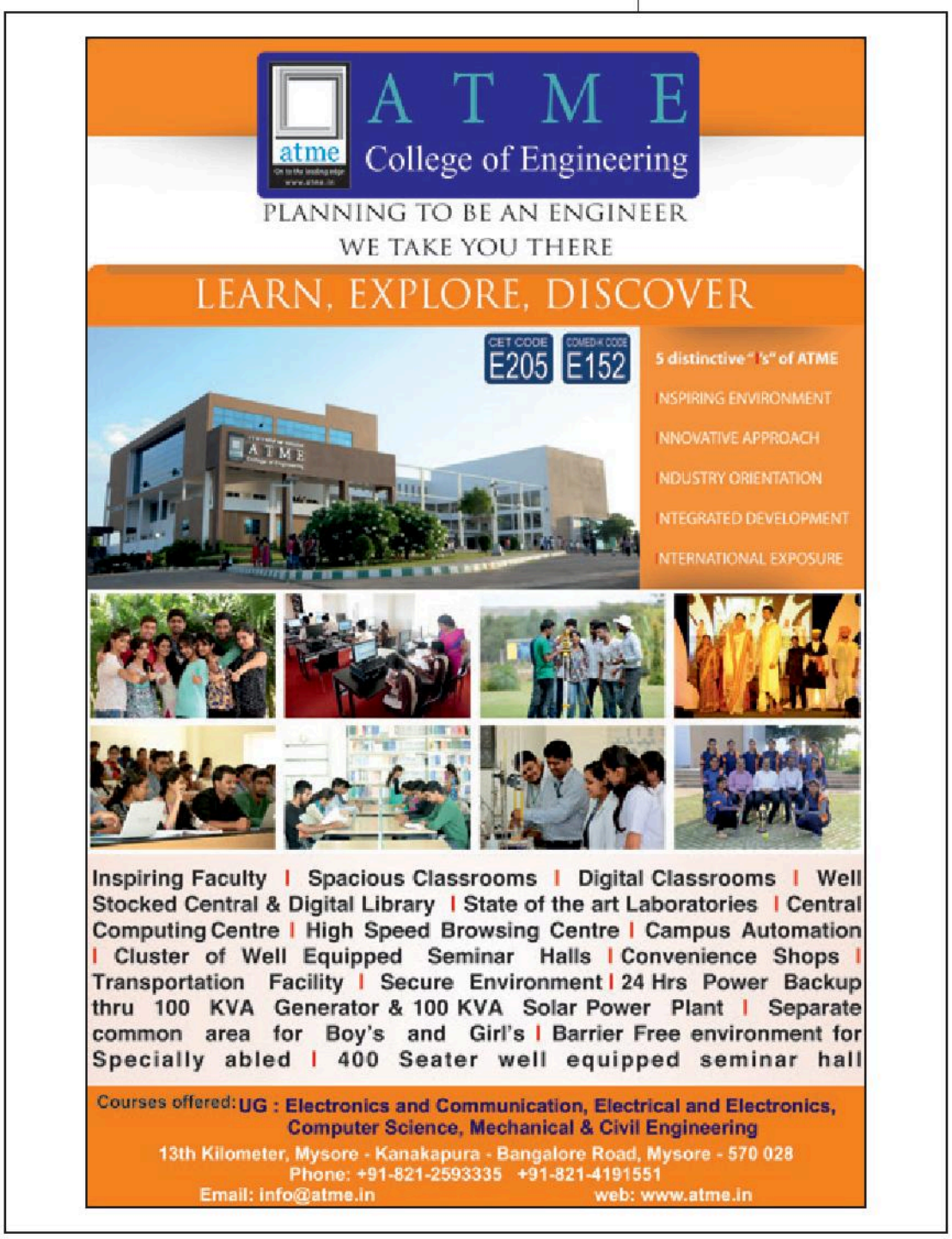
Sri Tyagaraja Sangeetha Sabha Charitable Trust: 32nd Anniversary Celebrations and Sri Tyagaraja-Sri Purandaradasa Aradhana Mahotsava, vocal recital by Medha Manjunath, accompanied by Amogha - violin and M.S. Jayaram - mridanga, Shri Bidaram Krishnappa Seetha Rama Mandira, N.S. Road, **6.30 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (FEB.6)

Sri Raghavendraswamy Seva Samiti: Discourse on 'Mahabharata Vanaparva' by Pt. Be.Na. Vijayindracharya, Mutt premises, Jayalakshmipuram, **5 pm.**

Institution of Engineers-India (IEI), Mysuru Local Centre: Technical Talk on 'Rejuvenation of Rivers Flowing in India' by Dr. K. Subramanya, Professor (retd.), Civil Engineering Department, IIT, Kannur, Dr. R. Suresh, Chairman, IEI Mysuru, presides, D.K. Dinesh Kumar, Hon. Secretary, IEI Mysuru, will be present, SP Bhat Hall, Institution premises, **6 pm.**

Sri Tyagaraja Sangeetha Sabha Charitable Trust: 32nd Anniversary Celebrations and Sri Tyagaraja-Sri Purandaradasa Aradhana Mahotsava, violin recital by Ambaprasad, accompanied by URR Bhargava - mridanga and S. Manjunath - ghata, Rama Mandira, Jayanagar, **6.30 pm.**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